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# PATENT APPLICATION

#### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Examiner: Unassigned KATSUHIKO NAGASAKI Group Art Unit: 2778 Application No.: 09/619,540 Filed: July 19, 2000 For: INFORMATION PROCESSING October 16, 2000 APPARATUS, CONTROL METHOD: THEREFOR, AND COMPUTER-READABLE MEMORY The Commissioner for Patents DEC 1 3 2000 Washington, D.C. 20231 **Technology** Center 2600

### INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under

37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under

37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed

to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of

the listed documents are also enclosed.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the following U.S. Applications:

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	GROUP ART UNIT
08/708,413	9/05/96	2778

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(iii), no copy of any cited U.S. Application is enclosed.

## FEE STATEMENT

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three (3) months of the filing date of the present application or prior to the mailing of a first Official Action on the merits of the application. Accordingly, Applicant believes that no fee is necessitated by the filing of this paper.

Nevertheless, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee necessitated by the filing of this paper to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed for that purpose.

#### CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that an initialed copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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